



SCANDAL OF 280,000 MISSING PASSPO



WARY: David Davis

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SHADOW Home
Secretary David
Davis said ID cards
posed "threats" to civil
liberties – because of
the Government.
He said it had tried to
get information on Pam
Warren – a Paddington
rail crash survivor –
when she questioned
railway reform.
It tried to attack the
reputation of Rose
Addis, 80, after a
complaint about NHS
treatment, he added.
And it had dragged
Martin Sixsmith's
name through the mud
when he exposed spin.
Mr Davis said:
"Frankly why stould

"Frankly why should anyone trust this Government?"

New terrorist fear

ALMOST 280,000 missing UK passports may have been snatched by terrorists and illegal immigrants.

and illegal immigrants.

The passports were either lost or stolen in the past 12 months. And many could be in the hands of international criminals, say security bosses.

The shock figure was revealed yesterday as Tony Blair launched a drive to introduce high-tech ID Cards. A Commons Written Answershowed 277,421 passports were lost or stolen in the past year.

And more than 3,000 passports go missing in the post annually.

It is responsible to do what we can to enhance security and ensure that public services are only used by those who are actually Political Editor

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"ID cards will also make our borders more secure and our free public services and benefits system more secure.

"They will help protect civil liberties, not erode them, because people will be able to produce their own identification."

The cards will use biometric technology to beat identity fraud.

Combat

Lib Dem Home Affairs spokesman Mark Oaten said: "These figures should serve as a stark warning of the danger of using a single identity card for all public services. "Labour's ID Cards Bill is deeply flawed and must be stopped."

But launching the £3 billion scheme, Mr Blair said it would combat terrorism, illegal immigration and illegal working. It would also protect the welfare system and the NHS against cheats. He said: "I believe this is responsible government not, as some have called it, Big Brother Government.

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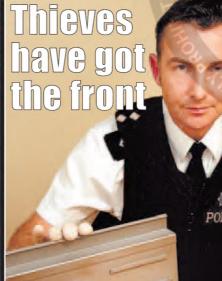
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And he added: "Now we have this biometric technology, now we are going to have to use it for passports, we might as well give ourselves full-blown identity cards."

The ID cards will be issued from 2008 to anyone applies for or renews a passport.
Falling to have one could lead to a £2.500 fine.

Anyone found guilty of tampering with an ID Card will face up to 10 years in prison.

identity fraud. Prison

US thank our boys

THE Black Watch were hailed as "awesome" by a US commander yesterday as their Iraq tour of duty neared its end.

The regiment was ordered into the Iraq i badlands to protect the flanks of their US allies.

The 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit are among those shielded by the British battle group.

Colonel Ron Johnson, who leads the unit, said UK troops were "sensational".

The praise came as MPs were told Tony Blair's pledge to have them home by Christmas will be met.

Nokia 6610i

THE extraordinary cunning of cash machine crooks was exposed yesterday when police revealed the latest scam.

They fear hundreds of card details may have been stolen by an amazing false front stuck on a cash machine.

act replica – which did

e, Bristol, was lled it off, ctor Andy Gilbert said: never seen anything s before. This really is seious device."

CLEVER: The false front

election whoever wins it, busi-ness leaders warned vesterday.

Without spending cuts they will have to rise by £7 billion within a year, according to The Confederation of British

Industry.

Ian McCafferty, the chief economic adviser to the bosses organisation, said: "There is a significant problem brewing."

He was speaking as the

Chancellor Gordon Brown put

Chancellor Gordon Brown put the finishing touches to Thursday's Pre-Budget Report. He said: "The Government will have to pull in its horns and business cannot be expected to dig it out of a hole."

The CBI warned tax rises would be "extremely damaging" to the UK's global competitiveness. It urged all parties to focus on public spending cuts and reducing waste.



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Jungle Grapevine



I'M SO SORRELL: Farewell tears with pal Nancy

Now Natalie's hingeing at -star luxury

by PETER DYKE in Australia

WEEPY Natalie Appleton walked out of the jungle yesterday – and threw another tearful wobbler.

She sensationally quit I'm A Celebrity after spending most of her time crying and

and the spenting most of her time crying and moaning.

But then scaredy-cat Nat – whose many phobias include a fear of heights – arrived at the six-star Palazzo Versace hotel in Queensland to find her room was on the THIRD floor.

Starving

Neurotic Nat had a terrible time in the jungle after her whingeing and screaming got on viewers'

screaming got on vices.

The moment she admitted she had loads of fears and phobias, the public punished her by voting for her to suffer one Bushtucker Trial after another. She realised that because of her annalling efforts in

tucker Trial after another.
She realised that because of her appalling efforts in the trials the camp was starving because she was not winning any food.
Nat told her fellow contestants she had come to "the end of the road".
She added: "I physically cannot give any more. I have got nothing left. Idon't want to win."
She hugged Fran Cosgrave before Huggy Bear offered to help her pack.
As Joe Pasquale returned to hear the news, Nancy Sorrell began to cry.
Nat added: "I will be thinking about you guys every second of every day when I leave.
"I want to hang out with all you guys without being watched any more.
"I can't wait to give my sister a big hug and speak to my son and daughter."
Natalie is the second star to walk out of the current series. Singer Brian

to walk out of the current series. Singer Brian Harvey quit last Friday.

Bri's feast 1

HOMESICK Brian Harvey shuffles out of a McDonald's with some tucker – to guzzle in his six-star hotel next door. The singer has snubbed the Versace's cuisine ever since he moved in after quitting I'm a Celeb. A show source said of the E17 star: "You can take the boy out of the East End but you can't take the East End out of the boy." Brian said: "As nice as this hotel is, I just can't take it all the time. I need my burgers and fries."



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ALL TUCKERED OUT: Natalie breaks her 'I quit' news to telly bosses







SOB STORY: Nat escapes her nightmare as she walks out along the bridge - but she's soon shedding more tears in the limo on the way to her hotel, inset





HUGGY PAIR: Nancy Sorrell also gets tearful as she says goodbye to sad Natalie – and so does Sophie Anderton

Sheila's a muddy marvel: Pages 6&







UNGLE-OMETER

JOE PASOUALE

Still clearly enjoying life in the jungle. He is full of beans – literally – so hopefully will manage to use the jungle loo soon.



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▲ VIC REEVES

Helped win cream teas for the group with Huggy and finally crack-ing a few gags. May be a shooting star soon.

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V SOPHIE ANDERTON

Sexy Soph is talking with Nancy about becoming a Bond girl. Has left male viewers shaken 'n stirred.



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SHEILA FERGUSON

She delighted the camp by winning six meals. Perhaps now Nat's gone Sheila will stop her moaning ... and sing.

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Showed he was a sharp shooter when he retrieved the Celebrity Chest. Desperate to do a Bushtucker Trial.



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NANCY SORRELL

Shed tears over Nat and seems to be losing her cool. Looks like she'll get boot before hubby.

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JANET STREET-PORTER

Admits the jungle has softened her up and even got the girls to help dry her hair.





FRAN COSGRAVE

Cheered up when he got a pint of Guinness after constant moaning. But the hunk has been more of a chump so far.

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► PAUL BURRELL

The boasting butler has also been bragging about going to America for Christmas with his for Christmas with his family. Good riddance.



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FORMER jungle FORMER jungle star Jordan was delighted to see Natalie Appleton out of the show, she said yesterday. The glamour model took Sophie Anderton's side when she rowed with mening Nat

with moaning Nat. Blonde Jordan, 26, said: "Nat thought people liked her.

liked her.
"When she was getting chosen for the Bushtucker Trials she even had the cheek to say 'I wish I had a single ready'.
"But people were picking her because they wanted to see her suffer.

Bugs

"At the weekend she didn't even have to eat the live

nave to eat the live bugs. "Sophie ate all of them, but Nat still complained and she didn't even try."

she didn't even try." Jordan – real name Kate Price -was also annoyed at the show's

at the show's bosses. She was asked to come up with suggestions for the challenge chest. She said: "We came up with things like tea, jam and scones but they changed it to chocolate and other stuff. "I hope they won't be annoyed with us in camp

with us in camp because it is not what we chose

what we chose."
Jordan's fiance Peter Andre, 31,
also had no kind
words for Nat.
He said on TV's
This Morning:
"Every time she
would come
through the worst
of it and then say. of it and then say
'I can't do it'.

"It was annoying
because she could

do it.
"It was such a waste of time."



ALL PUFFED UP: Huggy looks on as Vic wields the blowpipe in their chest challenge





Shooting star V

HUGGY Bear and Vic Reeves showed they were shooting stars when they brought their Celebrity Chest back to camp. The pair had to use five weapons to shoot down targets each containing part of a huge key which, once assembled would unlock a giant padlock, releasing the coveted chest. The pair used a blowpipe, a boomerang, a catapult, a rock and a giant water pistol.

Vic said: "We are the Robin Hoods of the valley. I like this—this is fairground fun. We are supreme shots, we are dead-eyed dicks. That's what comes of a youth spent throwing stones at old ladies."

Vic and Huggy – Starsky and Hutch actor Antonio Fargas – assembled the giant key and released the chest which they took back to camp.

Cream

The camp then correctly guessed the names of Julia Roberts' new born babies and were treated to a slap-

and were treated to a siap-up Devonshire cream tea. Huggy has been hitting the wrong notes in camp with awful singing and lack of action. But fans will soon dis-

■ by MARK JEFFERIES

cover he has a livelier side: Antonio has recorded a Starsky and Hutch-theme rap single with a New York hip hop star. A source said: "He might

A source said: "He might be embarrassed about his singing when he comes out but boy, can Antonio rap. "When he comes out people will hear just hos smooth he can sound." Huggy, one of the quietest in the jungle, is being urged by pals to show viewers some of his slick moves – to stay in the show.



Pictures: ITV/REX



MEAL DEAL: Those stars mount up for the camp

Sheila braves a croc

BRAVE Sheila Ferguson mucked in to win six meals for the camp – by crawling through mud infested with rats and a hungry crocodile.

The former Three Degrees singer, 57, delighted the starving I'm A Celeb contestants by grabbing six stars to win the much-needed grub.

But she wasn't hanny after stemping into

But she wasn't happy after stepping into whining Natalie Appleton's shoes – who bottled it and walked out after the public

■ by KATIE BEGLEY

voted her to do her fifth Bushtucker Trial. Sheila told hosts Ant and Dec: "I'm going

Sheila told hosts Ant and Dee: "I'm going to kill her!"
In On Your Knees, one of the toughest Bushtucker Trials ever, Sheila had to slide through a stinking swamp covered by a grid that held the stars – and the rats.
As the time passed the grid lowered, forcing her further into the revolting mud.
Wearing a yellow and black striped diamante swinsuit, she was dressed to kill and determined to win.
She said: "We must eat, the guys are almost weak with hunger. I have to do it. There's no way I can go back with no food."
She managed to grab six

food."
She managed to grab six stars, worth a meal apiece, before realising she'd been joined in the mud by an angry salt-water crocodile.

Flirt

That was enough for Sheila, who ordered Ant and Dec to help her out of the swamp.

She admitted: "I do not want competition with crocodiles. He can have it. It's your swamp, you can have it, baby!"

But food wasn't the only thing on her mind. The singer, who wanted to take a sex toy into the jungle to spice up the show, started to flirt with one of the production team.

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As Trials producer Chris Lore talked her through the rules of her challenge, she couldn't resist making a play for him.

She told him: "Maybe we can meet up at the party!"



OOZE SORRY NOW: Sheila braves the rats



MUCK 'N' MAGIC: Brave Sheila gets stuck in



MAKE IT SNAPPY: The peckish crocodile joins Sheila in the mud

Score a Natalie bullseye: Turn to page 28

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EMBRACE: Day gives Suzanne a kiss and pats her bump

TOGETHER: Suzanne and Day **Suzanne's** back with rat Darren

■ by NIGEL PAULEY
SUZANNE Shaw shows
she's still head-overheels in love with serial

rat Darren Day.

The couple had a showdown about their future on a hotel break after claims that he cheated on her.

cheated on her.

And ex-Hear'Say babe Suzanne—
who is eight-months pregnant—is
obviously standing by him.

A guest said: "They walked
hand-in-hand around the grounds
and looked very much in love.
"Darren kept on kissing Suzanne
and playfully touching her bump.
"It was clear they are still very
much together as a couple."

Fears

Suzanne, 23, was devastated by claims that Day, 36 – who is starring in Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat – slept with Swedish chorus girl Cecilia Carneby, 26, at a cheap hotel. She was so upset there were fears she could have lost their child. But womaniser Day – previously engaged to ex-Corrie star Tracy Shaw, 31, actress Isla Fisher, 28, and dancer Adele Vellacott, 25 – insisted he was innocent. He said he was drunk and that they slept in separate beds. Suzanne said: "I have to believe Darren for my baby's sake. I don't want to be a single mum."

COMMUTERS can feel greater stress than a fighter pilot going into battle or a police officer facing a rioting mob. Extreme pressure is caused when a journey to work goes wrong, said psychologist Dr David Lewis who carried out the research for a top technology firm.



A BANK manager was called to his front door as he put his children to bed – and shot dead.
Alistair Wilson's wife Veronica had answered the knock from a stranger in a baseball cap who asked to speak to her husband.
When Mr Wilson, 30, stepped outside to talk to the man, he was blasted in the head. Mrs Wilson

and the couple's sons, aged four

and the couple's sons, aged four and two, heard the gun shots.

The stocky killer, aged 35-40, ran off towards the seafront at Nairn, near Inverness, in the Highlands. Respected Bank of Scotland business manager, Mr Wilson, died later in hospital.

Police are looking for a motive for the Sunday night killing.

POST watchdogs last night urged people to save money and stick second class stamps on their Christmas cards. Only 70 per cent of first class letters arrive on time during December's pre-Christmas rush, a survey by Postwatch revealed.

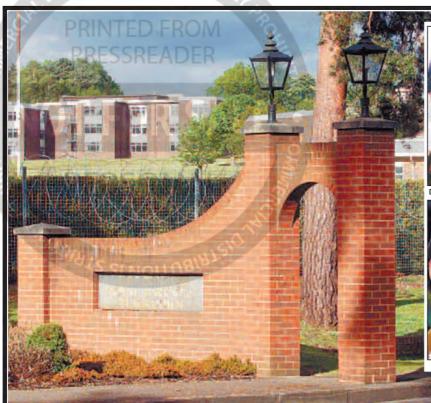
Car lout is caged

SERIAL drink-driver
Howard Bloor was jailed
for six months yesterday
after his 28th conviction
for being boozed in a car.
Bloor, 61, of Eccles,
Lancs, has been banned
from driving for the past
35 years, a Manchester
court heard.

Not one we want

A SCHOOL has been banned from advertising a Christmas production of Grease.

of Grease.
Scrooge theatre bosses
feared the musical at
Purbrook Park school in
Portsmouth would hit
sales of a touring version
of the West End show.



DEAD: James Collinson DEAD: Cheryl James

DEAD: Sean Benton

DEAD: Geoff Gray

Cons' dossier of despair on hell barrac

ANGER: Geoff Gray Sni

SHOCK new allegations that Army recruits were gang-raped and sexually abused at notorious Deepcut barracks were revealed in a leaked report yesterday.

The secret dossier contains more than 100 claims of bully-ing and degradation at the training camp, where four young soldiers died in suspi-

young soldiers died in suspi-cious circumstances.

Deepcut instructors and officers are accused of a series of shock-ing offences. The allegations include that they...

DRAGGED a woman from a shower and forced her to parade naked outdoors in January.

FORCED a male recruit to roll in mud as a punishment for being late.

- being late.

 ORDERED a female trainee to
- ORDERED a female trainee to swim in a cesspool.

 RODE over recruits on the parade ground with a bicycle.

 URINATED on young soldiers while they were asleep.

 THREW darts at trainees as they paraded in their underwear.

 GAVE female recruits easier duties in exchange for sex.

 HURLED racist and sexist taunts at recruits.

 The report also includes allega-

■ by IAIN BURCHELL

tions of abuse carried out by recruits on their fellow Army

recruits on their fellow Army trainees.

The "Respirator Gang", who wore gas masks to avoid being identified, are said to have attacked fellow recruits, while "The Black Card Club" allegedly beat up black trainees.

Ministry of Defence chiefs have repeatedly insisted that cases of abuse at Deepcut were simply "isolated incidents".

Fight But relatives of the dead recruits say the report compiled by police proves there was a culture of bullying at the Surrey base and have vowed to use it in their fight for a

m their light for a public inquiry.
The report, carried out by the Surrey force, focuses on the years 1995, 2001 and 2002, when

the four soldiers died.

It lists 61 allegations of assault, 12 of indecent assault and eight of

rape or gang rape.
And it details
almost 130 other

allegations of serious abuse and

allegations of serious abuse and degradation, involving more than 100 trainees, made around the times of the suspicious deaths. The report – which has been passed to senior MPs on the Commons Defence Committee – says at least one of the trainees who claimed to have been raped uithdraw har compality after see withdrew her complaint after she was threatened with disciplinary

was threatened with disciplinary action by the Army.

The four recruits found dead at the barracks were privates Sean Benton, 20, Cheryl James, 18, Geoff Gray, 17, and James Collinson, 17.

All died of gunshot wounds between 1995 and 2002. The Army insists they all committed suicide.

Surrey police start-

Surrey police started an investigation into their deaths in late 2002, interviewing hundreds of recruits and former trainees who who

rainees who served at Deepcut with the victims. It was during those interviews that the claims of bullying ng, abuse those

and rape were revealed. Relatives of the dead recruits say the docu-ment is vital evidence disproving

ment is vital evidence disproving the suicide verdicts.

Three of the bereaved families will give evidence to the Defence Committee this week, including Pte Gray's father – who is also named Geoff.

He said: "We've been saying for an extremely long time that there was a culture of bullying at Deepcut, but the Ministry of Defence always denied it.

Evil

"Now we know that culture was there, no matter what they say. With these allegations of rape, of abuse, maybe Geoff was the victim of the ultimate form of bullying and was murdered."

Mr Gray, of Hackney, east London, said the one thing he thought as he read the allegations was: "How could I have let my son go to such an evil place?"

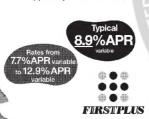
An MOD spokesman said: "The Army wishes to follow up the most serious allegations as a matter of urgency.

most serious allegations as a matter of urgeney.
He said the Royal Military Police would be investigating all the claims made to police, but added: "The Army rejects absolutely that the allegations prove there was a culture of violence and abuse at Deepcut."

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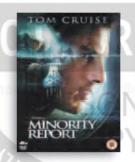
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TURMOIL: Strained Blunkett last night



BATTLING: Husband Stephen Quinn and the boy Blunkett says is his TARGET: Ex-lover Kimberly 'is in danger'

LOVELORN bombarded Blunkett bombarded his ex-mistress with weird late-night phone calls, her pals claimed yesterday.

yesterday.

The "obsessive" Home Secretary would ring distressed Kimberly Quinn a dozen times a night to play loud music down the phone.

And he used "bizarre tactics"

And he used "bizarre tactics" in a bitter campaign to wreck her marriage, it was claimed.
Worried friends claim Mr Blunkett told her: "If I am not going to have you, no one can have you."

baneyou. The three can have you. The three can have you. The traised about how the 57-year-old Home Secretary's private turmoil could affect his high-profile job heading the Government's fight against crime and international terrorism.

The Home Office earlier announced that top civil servant Sir Alan Budd will probe claims

Bizarre campaign against mistress

by MACER HALL Political Editor

that Mr Blunkett used his power

that Mr Blunkett used his power as Home Secretary to secure a visa for Ms Quinn's Filipino nanny, Leoncia 'Luz' Casalme. Mr Blunkett himself called for the inquiry after Mrs Quinn's claims threatened to wreck his career.

Scandal

But Tony Blair yesterday sig-nalled his determination to stick by the minister, one of his closest political allies.

Looking uncomfortable and awkward amid accusations the scandal is tarnishing the

Government, the Prime Minister said: "I have absolutely every confidence in him." Mr Blair denied the row was a

Mr Blair denied the row was a return to the era of "sleaze" that wrecked John Major's Tory Government.
"There will be an independent inquiry and I have no doubt that he will be exonerated," he said. Revelations of the Home Secretary's three-year fling with 44-year-old Mrs Quinn, publisher of The Spectator magazine, have rocked Westminster.
Mr Blunkett has launched a legal bid to prove he is the father of seven-month pregnant Mrs Quinn's unborn child as well as her two-year-old son. But her

husband, 60-year-old Stephen Quim, vowed to fight Mr Blunkett "every step of the way" over the claims. Close friends of Mr.

over the claims.
Close friends of Mrs Quinn say
the bitter row has affected her

the bitter row has affected her health.
Writer Peter Oborne, who works at The Spectator mag with Mrs Quinn, said Mr Blunkett's behaviour "places both Kimberly and the baby in danger".
He told in a newspaper how he recently tried in vain to cheer up Mrs Quinn.

Cruel

He said: "It was painful to see how hurt she was, and so filled with remorse, and grateful to her husband for staying with her.
"Blunkett's decision to bombard Kimberly with court orders at this stage in her pregnancy, when she has already been suffering problems, is cruel and vindictive.
"I'm told Kimberly is now at a very lowe bb. not just emotionally

very low ebb, not just emotionally but physically."



Python parrot is No1

MONTY Python's Dead Parrot sketch has been voted funniest scene ever. It notched up twice as many votes as its nearest rival in a poll to find the top TV side-splitting moment. But actor John Cleese, who starred in the classic scene, is sick as a parrot about it all. He tells Radio Times: "Repetition kills everything."
Another Python classic – the Four Yorkshiremen – was runner-up.

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VOICE of an Angel star Charlotte Church has put herself on a strict diet to make it big in Hollywood.

The Welsh multi-millionairess, 18, is desperate to get into films because she reckons if her next album flops, her singing career will be over.

But she knows she has to get her act together if she is going to compete with the likes of Cameron Diaz and Nicole Kidman on the other side of the Pond
So, in true celeb style, Charlotte has decided she is going to cut out the fat and get herself down to the gym.
Our source close to the Church household revealed: "Charlotte is a very ambitious girl.
"She has thought about giving up fame, but has decided against it. So

she is thinking that if she is going to continue to be a success, she is going to do it properly—and that means she has to look the part."

Charlotte, who dates hunky hotel worker **Kyle Johnson**, 19, shot to fame at the age of 13 with her rendition of Pie Jesu.

She has since performed in front of the **Pope**, **Bill Clinton** and the **Queen** and is a huge hit in the States.

Circuit

But as soon as Cardiff-born Charlotte was old enough to enjoy the celebrity circuit, she has won a name for herself as being one of our favourite party girls.

Church defied her mum Maria, 39, when she started seeing badboy Steven Johnson, 20.

Then she got it together with her new man Kyle, who bears a frightening resemblance to Steve. But despite

POOR Westlife got the shock of their lives at the pre-record of their ITV show She's the One.

While Kate Price and Kevin Spacey both took part alongside the Irish hunks, the last group they expected to see were their dads.

Peter Filan, Nicky Byrne, Klan Egan and Oliver Feehily surprised their sons when they arrived on stage at the show – due to be aired on December 18 – to sing That's Life, from the Life's new album, Allow Us To Be Frank.

HUSH HUSH

WHICH poor actress is on the verge of quitting the industry completely because her telly bosses won't pay her enough? The snotty brunette, who set a precedent for herself by ffering herself up for cheap, is now ready to call it aday and find a normal job. But we hear her current bosses haven't finished stitching her up yet....

OLLY BYE

FRENCH hunk Olivier Martinez needs to spend a little bit more time with lovely girlfriend Kylie. The ex-Neighbours star is missing 38-year-old Olly so much she has offered him an ultimatum — he sees her more or it's over. A friend of the Aussie beauty said: 'She understands she and Olivier are busy, but that doesn't mean he can't try harder." Kylie, 36, broke down at the MTV Europe Awards this month cos she misses Olly, seen here reading a paper in LA, so much. Remember pal, you don't know what you have until it's gone.



OUICKIES...

KATE Bosworth is moving to London to learer to Brit boyfriend ando Bloom, right. te, 21, who's been dating ndo, 27, for two years, a she's house-hunting. years, so she's house-hunting, he revealed: "I want to d somewhere in London, it's a great city. My stuff in storage in LA and I'm e for a while, working onfirst British film."



OUICKIES...



FAT'S IT: Charl needs to get back to her best

to get back to her be shape, far right

OUICKIES.

ENDURING Love star Rhys Ifans has vealed he is quitting vealed he is quitting medy.
le said: "I love playing ad, comic characters
it not all the time.
'At the moment I want
address my solemn
hd meaningful side."
No more comedy
ouser moments then, eh

SPOTTED

IN London: Westlife roaming around Duty
Free, Heathrow, Kelly Osbourne shopping in
Camden market and James Nesbitt wandering
through Leicester Square. Blue's Simon Webbe
the Cactus bar, Blackheath, Angelina Jolie
wearing a cap power-walking past Notting Hill
Tube and Lord of the Rings star Sean
Aston strolling through Milford
Sound, New Zealand.

JUICY G055 FOR



cheese, Charlotte

her long-term relationships, Charlotte has still managed to enjoy her share of the high life.

She is consistently seen looking rather tired and emotional in London nightclubs after knocking back her favourite tipple, vodka and Red Bull.

Despite believing herself to be a bit on the tubby side, Charlotte even managed to woo Prince Charles at a gala dinner in Cardiff at the weekend.

After performing, Charlie shook her hand and told her she looked "lovely".

And in true Charlotte style, she replied: "So do you."

What a legend.



Nervy Nadia

BIG Brother megamouth Madia Almada very nearly pulled out of performing at Mr Gay because she was so nervous.

And the brassy basque-clad diva even had to be coaxed out from her dressing room for the event.

One guest at the G.A.Y Bar, in London, said: "Nadia said she was just so nervous about getting up on stage she nearly pulled out. But in the end she had such a laugh she got completely into it. The crowd loved her.

"She sang her new single A Little Bit Of Action and it was raunchy stuff. She got everyone going. And there were some really racey moves."

Natasha Hamilton and Liberty X singer Michelle Heaton also enjoyed the event to be screened on Living TV on December 3.







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Film's super £10m

CARTOON comedy The Incredibles has smashed UK box office

smashed UK box office records.
The film, about superheroes living under a witness protection scheme, grossed £10 million in its first weekend. Its the biggest-ever UK opening for distributors Buena Vista.
And it beat the takings of previous hits by its maker Pixar, including Toy Story, Monsters Inc and Finding Nemo.
Pundits are even tipping it to be nominated for a Best Picture Oscar.



GUNNED DOWN: Pc Broadhurst

IDN'T KILL COP

AN ex-US marine accused of gunning down three policeman yesterday told a court a friend did it.

David Bieber, 38, refused to name the man, claiming he was still at large and might target his family.

He also didn't want to "stab him in the back" because he'd been a good friend, a jury heard. Bieber said he'd known the man, Marine

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an Italian American he referred to as "Mr X", for 12 years.
Bieber denies murdering Pc lan Broadhurst, 34, in Leeds last Boxing Day and attempting to murder Pcs Neil Roper and James Banks.
He told Newcastle Crown Court he was 70 yards away at a phone box when the shooting began.
Minutes earlier he had met his friend in a stolen BMW. Bieber

said he was immediately worried because the man had a gun and he sensed there was "going to be trouble".

Video

He heard "a few gunshots" after Pc Broadhurst's police car pulled up in front of the BMW. He said he was "confused and shocked" and began walking. His friend drove to him and stopped. Bieber told the court: "I said, 'Please don't tell me you

shot anyone. What happened?' He was sort of freaking out.
"He was saying, 'I'm screwed. They've got a video in the car and I'm on it. I'm screwed.' "He told me he thought he had shot two police officers and one of them was dead."
Robert Smith QC, prosecuting, suggested that the story was "patently untrue." Bieber responded: "I didn't do it."

The trial continues

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vsterv A MYSTERY brun-ette leaves a posh restaurant after ette leaves a posn restaurant after enjoying a meal with George Best. And the former footie idol wasn't doing things by half. She was one of two brunettes he enter-tained for two hours in Chelsea. George, below, then paid for their taxi before calling a cab for himself. Best revealed yesterday he hasn't had
a drink for 75 days
after seeing a heartbreaking TV show
about liver donors.
He told ITV1's This
Morning that not a
day went by when he
did not think about
the person who gave
him his new liver.
But he could not
guarantee he would
never drink again.
He said: "The drink
will always be there. I
may find myself having to try and give
up again." Donors